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Case No. <u>12730-11</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Thomas A. Osborne et al.)
Serial No. 10/642,513) Examiner: William H. Matthews
Filing Date: August 15, 2003) Group Art Unit: 3738
For Stent and Method of Forming a Stent with Integral Barbs))

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the <u>Office Action</u> dated <u>September 22, 2005</u>, for a period of <u>two months</u>.

\boxtimes	Applic	Applicant:			
		claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.			
	\boxtimes	is other than small entity			

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		Extension Months	Other Than Small Entity	Small Entity			
		One Month Two Months Three Months Four Months Five Months	\$120.00 \$450.00 \$1,020.00 \$1,590.00 \$2,160.00	\$60.00 \$225.00 \$510.00 \$795.00 \$1,080.00			
Fee Payment							
\boxtimes	Attached is a check for \$450.00 for the Petition fee.						
	Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$ for the Petition fee.						
	Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.						
\boxtimes	Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.						
			Respec	ifully submitted,			
Dated	d:	February 22, 2006	Registra	E. Shehadeh ation No. 52,215 of for Applicants			

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